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## CROP PRODUCTION – JUNE 2017

### COLORADO HIGHLIGHTS

**Winter wheat** production in Colorado, based on conditions as of June 1, 2017, is forecast at 78.00 million bushels, according to the June 1 Agricultural Yield Survey conducted by the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. This forecast is up 8 percent from the May 1 forecast, but 26 percent below the 105.12 million bushel crop produced last year. Estimated acreage for harvest, at 1.95 million acres, is unchanged from May 1, but 240,000 acres less than the 2.19 million acres harvested in 2016. As of June 1, the average yield is forecast at 40.0 bushels per acre, 3.0 bushels above the May 1 forecast, but 8.0 bushels below last year's final yield.

As of May 28, Colorado's winter wheat crop condition was rated 4 percent very poor, 12 percent poor, 34 percent fair, 38 percent good, and 12 percent excellent, compared with 1 percent very poor, 10 percent poor, 21 percent fair, 55 percent good, and 13 percent excellent last year.

### UNITED STATES HIGHLIGHTS

**Winter wheat** production is forecast at 1.25 billion bushels, up less than 1 percent from the May 1 forecast but down 25 percent from 2016. Based on June 1 conditions, the United States yield is forecast at 48.9 bushels per acre, up 0.1 bushel from last month, but down 6.4 bushels from last year. If realized, this will be the second highest yield on record for the United States, behind only 2016.

Hard Red Winter production, at 743 million bushels, is up 1 percent from last month. Soft Red Winter, at 298 million bushels, is up 1 percent from the May forecast. White Winter, at 209 million bushels, is down 2 percent from last month. Of the White Winter production, 17.5 million bushels are Hard White and 191 million bushels are Soft White.

Production of **Durum wheat** in Arizona and California is forecast at a collective 13.3 million bushels, down 1 percent from last year.

For a full copy of the *Crop Production* report please visit [www.nass.usda.gov](http://www.nass.usda.gov).